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(F.A.M.)

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

28th January, 1925.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
S. of the 27th instant, requesting on behalf of Captain Weltbach,
of the Esthonian steamer "KAJAK", that arrangements be made
for an inspection by the Society's Surveyors of the steamer
"DICH-TA00", at present laid up at Brest.

In reply I have to explain that this vessel, formerly
holding the class "A- with Freeboard, Coasting in the Black
Sea" in the Society's Register Book, had her class withdrawn
in 1910. It is contrary to the Committee's practice to
authorise the Society's Surveyors to undertake Condition
Surveys of any mercantile vessels, and in the circumstances
they regret that no survey could be held on this vessel
excepting for the purpose of re-classification in the Register
Book, and then only with the written consent of the Owners.

The Committee accordingly much regret that they are
unable to comply with your wishes in this instance, and I
confirm my telegram to you on the subject to-day as follows,

viz.:— "DICTA00 Regret unable undertake any survey of this
"vessel except for purpose of reclassing and then only
"with written consent Owners."

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

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